



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1296

January Session, 2005

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**AN ACT CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY PREMIUM RELIEF
FOR RESEARCH OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS WHO
PROVIDE MEDICAID CARE IN ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a
2 Medical Malpractice Premium Relief Fund for the purpose of
3 providing professional liability insurance premium support for
4 obstetricians and gynecologists who practice in association with a
5 research department of a university in this state. Such obstetrician or
6 gynecologist shall be eligible for compensation if at least twenty-five
7 per cent of the patients served by the university, obstetrician or
8 gynecologist on an annual basis are Medicaid patients. No
9 compensation from such fund shall exceed twenty-five per cent of such
10 obstetrician's or gynecologist's premium in any calendar year.

11 (b) The fund shall be administered by the Insurance Commissioner.
12 Any obstetrician or gynecologist that meets the criteria set forth in
13 subsection (a) of this section may apply for compensation from the
14 fund on such form and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes.

15 (c) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with
16 chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement this section.

17 Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2005*) (a) The sum of two hundred fifty

18 thousand dollars is appropriated to the Insurance Department, from
19 the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, for the
20 purpose of providing compensation pursuant to the Medical
21 Malpractice Premium Relief Fund established in section 1 of this act.

22 (b) The sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars is appropriated
23 to the Insurance Department, from the General Fund, for the fiscal year
24 ending June 30, 2007, for the purpose of providing compensation
25 pursuant to the Medical Malpractice Premium Relief Fund established
26 in section 1 of this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	New section

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